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HONGKONG THIRTY YEARS
AGO.

Compiled from the files of the CHINA MAIL.
HONGKONG HUMANITY SOCIETY.

In our issue of July 22nd, 1879, is a paragraph to the effect that the members of the Hongkong Humanity Society met at their headquarters in Duddell Street and proceeded to Murray Pier for practice. Several experiments were made with the life-saving apparatus and these were watched by a large crowd of spectators.

An article which appears in our issue of July 25th takes exception to a leader published in a contemporary on the subject of the Police Force. In the course of the China Mail's comments the following paragraph appears:—"While thankful that its present state is millennial purity as compared with what we have seen it and known it to be, we are not by any means so certain that the Chinese section of the Force is as spotless as it is the fashion in some quarters to regard it. The European element of the Force is now, we are convinced, more honest than it ever has been." The China Mail objects to the allegations of "jobbery" in the Colonial Service made by its contemporary, which had stated that it existed in a comparatively mild form, as for instance, "the skilful manipulation of 'allowances' and the giving of public land to Government servants without payment."

"A FOUL REVENUE."
Reference is made in the China Mail of July 26th to what is described as a most "mild" distributive which appeared in the Leeds Times on subjects which a C. D. A. Commission had lately dealt with. It seems that in an article under the heading "A Foul Revenue" the Leeds Times told the British public that "part of the Revenue of this British Colony at Hongkong is derived by licenses taken out by houses of ill-fame," and the newspaper in referring to the £20,000 a year which Hongkong was paying Great Britain as military contribution, exclaimed, "The £20,000 contributed to our Revenue has a foul smell." Commenting on this the China Mail says:—"We are pretty certain that if the delicate conscience of England were to prevent her from taking this annual contribution altogether no one in Hongkong would be sorry." Then follows a repudiation of some of the Times' statements, concluding with these words:—"If the editor of the Times Leeds wrote with more moderation and more knowledge of this subject its remarks might be worth paying some attention to; as it is, they are merely the outburst of one who has, in common with some other people in England, a sentimental craze on this subject."

At the half yearly meeting of the Hongkong Hotel Company a dividend of \$2.50 per share was declared, while at the annual meeting of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company a dividend of 3 per cent was declared.

SPORTING.

Lawn Bowls.

C.S.C.C. v. Tai Koo.

The following will represent the C.S.C.C. on Saturday next at 4.30 p.m. on Civil Service Green:—W. H. Woolley, E. W. Dawson, W. F. Fincher, L. E. Brett, skip; A. G. Pile, J. J. Blake, R. Fenton, L. A. Wheat, skip; P. Allen, P. E. Adams, A. M. Thornhill, O. Bond, skip; G. H. Parkinson, A. Blower, R. Hudson, M. Moller, skip. Reserves J. Wiltshire and W. S. Diggs.

Water Polo.

Boys' Own Club v. D. Co., R.G.A.
The match in the Water Polo shield competition between the Boys' Own Club and the D. Co., R.G.A., did not take place last night owing to the Artillery team scratching with the Boys' Own Club to whom the points were awarded. However a friendly game was played between these two teams.
To-night the V.R.O. meet the O.Y.C.

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BANK HOLIDAY.

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By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 29, 1909.

MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION
OF HONGKONG.

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 ALL MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 2nd August (first Monday in August).

By Order,
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FRANCISCO TSE YAT, General Manager.
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Hongkong, January 8, 1908.

ORIENTAL HOTEL.

BY permission of Col. Prior and Officers,
the band of the 18th Rajputa, under
Bandmaster Coke, will play the following
programme at Dinner, on SATURDAY
evening, the 31st inst., at the ORIENTAL
HOTEL, commencing at 8 P.M.

1. March "Weaving of the Green."
2. Valse "La Voix des Cloches."
3. Selection "Il Trovatore."
4. Serenade "Brigitte."
5. Waltz "Waltz Dream."
6. Overture "WUHAN."
7. Lancers "WUHAN."
8. Cakewalk "Swing Song."
9. Waltz "Off to Bye-bye."
10. Galop "Off to Bye-bye."

The new tubular bells supplied by
Hawker's will be used on this occasion.

DINNER MENU:

Souped Omelette, Spanish Olives.

BOILED POTATOES.

1. Chicken a la Reine.

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LIEUTENANT SHACKLETON AT HOME.

Now the Explorer came ashore

at Dover.

Shortly after five o'clock on a Saturday
afternoon, Lieutenant Shackleton, who
has been nearer the South Pole than any
other man, set foot on the Admiralty Pier
at Dover.

There were no formal greetings,
but a tall, slender woman in blue, whose
eyes danced with pleasure and whose cheeks
were pink, was there to meet this broad-
shouldered young man in the plain serge
suit and light cap.

Never did returning hero come home
with less pomp or circumstance. With a
stride Lieutenant Shackleton cleared the
rail of the gateway of the steamer Victoria
and in a moment gripped the hand of his
wife. Tall young Sir Philip Brocklebank
followed and warmly embraced his mother.
All four had been speaking across the
intervening water during the few minutes
which elapsed between the arrival of the
Calais steamer and the lowering of the
gangway. Now they talked busily again
while the piermen stood respectfully on
one side and whispered, "That's Shackleton!"

There can be little doubt which greeting
the familiar welcome at Dover or the
popular reception in London was most
agreeable to this modest young naval officer
with the eloquent eyes and strong, mobile
face. He was grimly humorous on the
subject of the popular welcome when he
found time to say a word on landing.

"Why talk about it?"

There was a time when we would have
been glad of the banquet," he said, "and
we wouldn't mind now if they were spread
over a longer period. Many a day on the
southern plateau we talked of the meals
we would have when we got back to London
at the Carlton or Savoy."

"Each man took it in turn to describe
the meal he would order. But when we
got really hungry we did not talk of big
dinners and social functions; we just came
down to the level of a hungry tramp and
thought what a good time a man might
have with what pudding and golden syrup
at fourpence."

"Were we ever really starving? I re-
member the tragedy when we arrived at
Bluff Point and fell upon the pemmican
and biscuit until we could eat no more,
only to find that the ship had also stored
for us all kinds of delicacies. Canned
plum and the like, which we couldn't eat
because we were full up."

Lieutenant Shackleton is a typical sailor
and loves to talk of the odd things that
happened in the land of ice. The dangers
and difficulties of his journey he dismisses
as so many matters of ordinary occurrence
hardly worth mentioning. "Did a man fall
down a crevasse to be rescued, therefore,
with skill and daring?" "If he did," said
Lieutenant Shackleton, "he was probably
pulled up again, otherwise he would be
there still, wouldn't he? There was plenty
of danger and excitement, but why talk
about it?"

"Things came a-slinging," said the explorer
in his blunt, quaint, sailor fashion. "They
were the sort of things that were inap-
propriate from the job. Everyone is pretty
smart at saving his own life. It was all in
the day's work."

Taking as little credit as possible to him-
self, Lieutenant Shackleton paid striking
tribute to his men. He said that all did
their "duty" cheerfully, always without
grumbling, ever ready to get up at any hour
of the night to take an observation or do
any necessary work. "Only the combina-
tion of such men—men who have no share
in the limelight—made the thing possible."

COMRADES ALL.

"Every man was British from Adam,"
was another of his phrases. "No man was
a servant. All took their turn of work.
One of the things you learn down there is
that you are not indispensable. The world
goes on without you as it will when you
are out of it for good."

"Neither are newspapers indispensable,
though we did our best to supply the place
of one with the 'Aurora Australis.' That
was a book of which we printed one
hundred copies. There are no copies for
sale. We filled it with articles, poetry,
and illustrations etched on aluminium and
printed in colours."

Lieutenant Shackleton was made post-
master of King Edward VII. Land before
he left New Zealand.

The fact, becoming known, brought him
an untimely host of letters addressed to
"Mr. Penguin," "Jack Frost, Esq.,"
"Messrs Snow and Ice," the senders hop-
ing that they would be returned "not
known." "I delivered all of them as ad-
dressed," he said cheerfully. "What the
penguins thought, I don't know. At any
rate they brought me no answers."

Christmas Day passed unnoticed in the
south, but on Midwinter Day the hut was
decorated, crackers were pulled, and the
pemmican was washed down with some-
thing stronger than water. Alcohol was
only used by the explorers on such festive
occasions, and tobacco was treated as a
luxury to be quietly enjoyed after a hard
day's work.

"Are you going back?" Lieutenant
Shackleton was asked.

"Early days to talk about that," he
replied. "But I see lots of others are."

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AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF Dollars
TWO per Share, for the six months
ending 30th June 1909, will be payable on
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Warrants may be obtained on application
to the Company's Office.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELLTON HOOVER,
Secretary to THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LTD.,
General Agents for THE WEST POINT
Building Co., Ltd.,
Hongkong, June 20, 1909.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY COMPANY,
LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF \$3.40
per Share for the six months ending
30th June 1909, will be payable on TUES-
DAY, 3rd August, on which date Dividend
Warrants may be obtained on application
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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY
MEETING of Shareholders will be
held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's
Building, Commercial Road, on MONDAY,
23rd August, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors, and the Statement of Accounts
for the 30th June 1909.
The ORDINARY BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 8th to
the 22nd August, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, July 10, 1909.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

It is hereby notified that on and after the
15th instant, the SELLING PRICE
OF ICE will be INCREASED TO ONE
CENT per pound.
J. J. JARDINE, MATTHEW & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
HONGKONG ICE CO., LTD.,
Hongkong, July 15, 1909.

PATELL & CO.,

SHAMKIN, CANTON.

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AT MODERATE PRICES
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STORES, WINES, SMOKE
OF KNOWN BRANDS
AT MODERATE PRICES
This well-reputed Store deals in the
demands for
English, American & German
Provisions
of the highest
RELIABLE QUALITY.
THAT ORDER Satisfies.

Hongkong, July 15, 1909.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY
MEETING of Shareholders will be
held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's
Building, Commercial Road, on MONDAY,
23rd August, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors, and the Statement of Accounts
for the 30th June 1909.
The ORDINARY BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 8th to
the 22nd August, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, July 10, 1909.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

It is hereby notified that on and after the
15th instant, the SELLING PRICE
OF ICE will be INCREASED TO ONE
CENT per pound.
J. J. JARDINE, MATTHEW & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
HONGKONG ICE CO., LTD.,
Hongkong, July 15, 1909.

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Intimations.

TO LET.

KING'S BUILDINGS.

OFFICES, facing the Harbour, from
about October. A present in occupa-
tion of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.,
Ltd.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, July 1, 1908.

TO LET.

SHOP, No. 14, QUEEN'S ROAD
CENTRAL, on Lease.

1 & 2 FAIRVIEW, Robinson Road,
Kowloon.

Apply to LEIGH & ORANGE,
Hongkong, August 25, 1908.

TO LET.

FURNISHED BEDROOM with Board
on Upper Level. A desirable home
for a bachelor or married lady.

Apply to CHINA MAIL Office,
Hongkong, July 15, 1909.

TO LET.

ONE DETACHED ROOM with separate
entrance and verandah in PRINCE'S
BUILDING, Second Floor.

Apply to W. MEYERINK & CO.,
Hongkong, July 2, 1909.

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 54, DUNDRELL
STREET.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, July 1, 1909.

TO LET.

GODOWNS Nos. 95, 96 & 97, PRAYA
EAST.

Apply to CHATER & MODY,
Hongkong, October 17, 1908.

TO LET.

DESIRABLE GROUND—FLOOR
SHOP in Chater Road, Hongkong.

Apply to CHATER & MODY,
Hongkong, May 11, 1909.

TO LET.

BUCKY LODGE, CAINE ROAD,
suitable for a Boarding House, School,
College, or Family Residence, recently
painted and renovated throughout. Im-
mediate possession.

Apply to CHATER & MODY,
Hongkong, May 14, 1909.

TO LET.

WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital.....\$15,000,000
 Reserve Funds.....\$1,125,000
 \$1,000,000 (\$1,000,000)
 Silver.....\$14,500,000
 Reserve Fund.....\$250,000
 Properties.....\$15,000,000

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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING CO., LD.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months 3 per cent. per annum.

For 12 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, June 1, 1909.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rates may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 4 PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 12, 1907.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,200,000

RESERVE FUND.....£1,575,000

RESERVE FUND OF PROFIT.....£1,200,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.

W. M. DICKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, April 6, 1909.

NEDEERLANDSCHE HANDELSMAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NEDERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....FL. 45,000,000 (\$2,750,000)

RESERVE FUND.....FL. 6,125,745.45 (\$310,479.50)

HEAD OFFICE—AMSTERDAM.

HEAD AGENCY—SINGAPORE.

BRANCHES: Shanghai, Hongkong, Swatow, Amoy, Canton, Peking, Tientsin, Hankow, Harbin, Yokohama, Kobe, Manilla, Cebu, Batavia, Surabaya, Semarang, Soerabaya, Palembang, Medan, Padang, Bencoolen, Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Hongkong, Canton, Peking, Tientsin, Hankow, Harbin, Yokohama, Kobe, Manilla, Cebu, Batavia, Surabaya, Semarang, Soerabaya, Palembang, Medan, Padang, Bencoolen, Singapore, Malacca, Penang.

Correspondents at Calcutta, Bombay, Colombo, Madras, Pondicherry, Amoy, Hongkong, Canton, Peking, Tientsin, Hankow, Harbin, Yokohama, Kobe, Manilla, Cebu, Batavia, Surabaya, Semarang, Soerabaya, Palembang, Medan, Padang, Bencoolen, Singapore, Malacca, Penang.

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on the Continent in Great Britain, America, and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

INTEREST ALLOWED

On Current Accounts 2 1/2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

Fixed Deposits 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Do 6 months 4 per cent. per annum.

Do 3 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

J. L. VAN HOUTEN, Agent.

Hongkong, July 22, 1909.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL, PAID-UP.....GOLD \$2,500,000

RESERVE FUND.....GOLD \$2,500,000

RESERVE FUND.....GOLD \$2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—60 WALL STREET, NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE—THE LANCET BUILDINGS, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, Ltd.

The Capital and Counties Bank, Ltd.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS AT OTHER PLACES:

THE Corporation Transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Accounts at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance, and accepts fixed deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months 4 per cent. per annum.

For 3 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Mr. S. QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

W. M. ANDERSON, Manager.

Hongkong, January 24, 1909.

Banks.

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED do.....£1,125,000
PAID-UP do.....£562,500
RESERVE FUND.....£250,000
Properties.....£15,000,000

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For 12 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 26, 1909.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....yen 34,000,000

RESERVE FUND.....yen 15,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS:

TOKYO: KANE KINOSHITA, Manager.

YOKOHAMA: KANE KINOSHITA, Manager.

OSAKA: KANE KINOSHITA, Manager.

KYOTO: KANE KINOSHITA, Manager.

EDOMOTO: KANE KINOSHITA, Manager.

MAKINO: KANE KINOSHITA, Manager.

CHANGCHU: KANE KINOSHITA, Manager.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the Rate of 2 1/2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 months 4 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.

TAKAO TAKAMOTO, Manager.

Hongkong, July 2, 1909.

RUSO-CHINESE BANK.

ORGANIZED UNDER IMPERIAL DECREE OF 10TH DECEMBER, 1895.

CAPITAL.....15,000,000 Roubles.

CAPITAL contributed by CHINESE GOVERNMENT.....4,000,000 Roubles.

RESERVE FUND.....Roubles 4,855,000

HEAD OFFICE—St. PETERSBURG.

London Office: 41, Threadneedle St., E.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS:

Andjoo: Khekan, Manager.

Batoum: Khekan, Manager.

Baku: Khekan, Manager.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT AUCTIONEER.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Underigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

on

SATURDAY,

the 31st July, 1909, commencing at

11 A.M., at No. 21, MOORE STREET,

A QUANTITY OF

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

Taken in—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

MILNERS' PATENT FIRE RESISTING SAFES.

As supplied to the principal banks and mercantile houses.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

DUDELEY STREET.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

on

MONDAY and TUESDAY,

the 3rd and 4th August, 1909, at 10 A.M.,

each day, at R.M. NAVAL ESTABLISHMENTS,

SUNDRY OLD AND SURLUS NAVAL & VICTUALLING STORES.

Comprising—

Old and Surlus Naval Stores—

Chain, Wood Blocks, Hoses, Tools, Old Iron and Metal, Old Machinery, Electric Cables and Gear, Mats and Marlines, Wood Boats, Leather, Coal Sacks, Old India Rubber, Old Boots, Furniture, Carpets, Old and Surlus Victualling Stores—

Provisions, Seamen's Clothing, Blankets, Mess Trays, Implements, Staves, and a quantity of Electro-plated Articles, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE—As On-stationary.

HUGHES & HUGHES, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, June 23, 1909.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

DERRINGTON, PEAK ROAD No. 2.

For particulars apply to

O. SHROETER, King's Buildings, Hill.

Hongkong, June 8, 1909.

FOR SALE.

A Small Collection of about 400 Black, Yellow and White PHILIPPINE PEARLS from the size of a mustard seed to that of a large pepper seed. Good for setting in your family jewels. Price, cash \$100 only. On view at the office of this paper.

Hongkong, July 16, 1909.

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CLAIM FOR GOODS SUPPLIED.

Mr. Justice Gompertz gave judgment at the Supreme Court, to-day, in the case in which Abdul Kader sued Kupa Ram and Manglu Ram, to recover \$158.67 for goods supplied.

His Lordship entered judgment for the plaintiff for \$33.32, on the ground that the second defendant had twice held himself out to be a partner in the defendant firm. His Lordship allowed two months in which to pay the amount, the first payment to be on September 1; the costs to be paid immediately.

SEQUEL TO A COOLIE STRIKE.

A charge of disorderly conduct arising out of a labour dispute at Shaukiwan was preferred against a native at the Magistracy to-day. From the evidence it appears that the contract for some repair work to one of the forts at Lyemun was let to a man named Sang Li, who sub-let it to Wong Kong Wing. The latter again sub-let it to a man named Ching Tan Yan. Wong, it seems, had been receiving advances of money from Sang with which to pay the coolies, but as he had not done so, the coolies struck work. On the contractor and his foreman going down to try and settle the dispute Wong's men threatened to take their lives.

Yesterday about 30 of the coolies assembled in the main street at Shaukiwan in order to make a demonstration, but Inspector Collett managed to arrest the ringleader and take him to the Police Station. At the Magistracy this morning Mr. F. A. Hazell imposed a fine of \$20 on the man and bound him over in a sum of \$200 to keep the peace.

APPLICATION FOR SECURITY.

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, this morning, the case was mentioned in which F. B. Hyde, of the Swatow Hotel, Swatow, sued J. H. Churchill to recover \$218.65.

Mr. Jackson appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Otto Kung Sing defended.

Mr. Otto Kung Sing asked for security for costs.

Mr. Jackson opposed the application, and said he did not think there was any ground for the action.

Mr. Otto Kung Sing—The plaintiff resides in the empire of China.

Mr. Jackson—It is not a bona fide application.

His Lordship—Supposing the defendant is successful how could he get his costs?

Mr. Jackson—There is no possible chance of his being successful because he has admitted the debt.

His Lordship—Is that the only ground for the opposition?

Mr. Jackson—Yes, my lord.

Mr. Otto Kung Sing said he had a legal defence. If his friend insisted on his application in Chambers he must ask for costs.

His Lordship said he would hear the matter in Chambers.

CLAIM FOR MONEY LENT.

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, this afternoon, Wong Fok Eja sued Chun Fuk Kwam to recover \$434.41, being \$4 to \$130 money lent; \$38 money paid by plaintiff to Chun Wai and Co., on behalf and at the request of the defendant; \$293.41 damages for the wrongful detention of a set of gold buttons, one pawn ticket for a pair of gold earrings mounted with gold.

Mr. P. W. Goldring appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. E. Davidson defended.

Mr. Goldring said that was a claim which was divided into three parts and the most important item was that of the pawn ticket. It appeared that the plaintiff was a person of more or less independent means and who lived with his father. He met the defendant about the middle of March last year and they became friendly. Sometime in March this year defendant borrowed \$23 and in April he also borrowed two sums of \$40 each. With regard to the second loan of \$40 plaintiff had not the money in hand and he said that he would let him have some jewellery to pawn. Plaintiff sent a servant with a pair of pearl earrings which were worth about \$380. Defendant got \$40 and plaintiff kept \$20 and the pawn ticket which he received. Later defendant wrote a letter asking for the pawn ticket so that he could go and see the earrings, with his "mortal" eyes, that was eyes that could not discriminate good nor bad. In a second letter defendant had said that he had seen the earrings but they were unsatisfactory and in a third letter defendant promised to return the pawn ticket but he was too busy just at that moment to do so. "Defendant never got the ticket back," added Mr. Goldring.

Evidence was taken and the case was adjourned.

The inclusion in the music of the recent Church Pageant at Lambeth, of a Sanctus composed by that studious but unfortunate monarch Henry VI, is a tribute possibly to the musical attainments of many English Royalties. From the compositions of Henry VIII alone an interesting programme could be compiled of songs, anthems, madrigals, and part-songs—the charming "Pastime with good company," used by Sullivan in his Henry VIII, must be, in typical of the bluff monarch's vein of melody—while Richard L. (whose musical taste enabled his faithful minstrel to locate him in an Austrian prison), James L., and Charles I. could each be represented in the pageant music. The published compositions of the late Prince Consort number nearly fifty, and several songs from the pen of Princess Henry of Battenberg have been printed.

HONGKONG SERVICE NOTES.

Billiards.
The first round of the Garrison Billiard Championship was finished, on Monday night when Gunner Elliot created a surprise by defeating Mr. Smith, A.O.C., by 75 points.

On Friday night Col. Serph. Eales defeated Sapper Harris by 31 points with breaks of 29, 19 (2), 13 and 17. Harris suffered from want of staying power at the finish being quite unable to do anything right.

Gunner Hennings had no difficulty in disposing of Mr. Moore, A.O.C., winning by 133 points.

The draw for the second round resulted as follows:—

Tuesday, 27th July, Gunner McGregor v. Gunner Miller.

Wednesday, 28th July, Gunner Reilly v. Col. Serph. Eales.

Thursday, 29th July, Q. M. S. Barnfather, R.E. v. Mr. Hayne.

Friday, 30th July, C. Q. M. S. Stoneham, R.A. v. Gunner Heathcote.

Monday, 2nd August, Sapper Grant v. C.S.M. Owen, R.A.

Tuesday, 3rd August, Serph. Winn, R.A.M.C. v. Drum-major Dixon, Buffs.

Wednesday, 4th August, Pte. Foulkes, A.S.C. v. Sapper Heigh.

Thursday, 5th August, Gunner Hennings v. Gunner Elliot.

In the first game in the second round Gunner McGregor easily accounted for Gunner Miller, winning by 72 points.

The game between Reilly and Eales was awarded to Reilly owing to Eales failing to put in an appearance.

More than the usual interest was taken in the game between Q.M.S. Barnfather, R.E., and Mr. Hayne, Schoolmaster.

Hayne beat Barnfather by 42 points with breaks of 24, 20, and 18 (2) neither player at any time touching his top form.

The results in the second round of the R.E. Juniors' Billiard Handicap to date are:—

Bugler Corke beat Sec. Cpl. McGregor.

Bugler Farlow beat Sapper Atkey.

Sapper A. R. Harris beat Sapper F. Harris.

Sapper Harwood beat Sapper Fido.

Sapper Wilkshar beat Sapper La Grove.

Sec. Cpl. Sévior beat Sapper Graham.

Sapper Wilkinson beat Sapper Buglass.

Lance Corp. Lamb beat Sapper Power.

Bugler Croucher beat Sapper Stallard.

Sapper Jackson beat Sapper Street.

Social Gatherings.

Not to be altogether deprived of the pleasure of a day's outing, the R.E.N.C. (C) Picnic Club adjourned to the R.E. Theatre on Saturday last, to do what they could to make up for the picnic they had to cancel owing to the typhoon signals being flying.

A very enjoyable time was spent in dancing and singing, and Gunner Summerscales, who presided at the piano, assisted in making the impromptu programme an enjoyable one with a few of his old favourites.

R.E. Varsity Club.

No small regret will be felt by those interested in amateur theatricals in the Colony, at the announcement that the above club has ceased to exist. As the winding-up was not due to any financial embarrassment, but entirely due to a lack of support from members, it is to be hoped that, with an early change in the personnel of the R.E. companies in the Command, consequent on the coming of the new drafts, members will do their best to set the club on its feet once more.

Talking of variety clubs, I might mention that it has always seemed to me that the N.C.O.s and men and their families, who from time to time are stationed in Hongkong, do not seem to take the same interest in matters of this kind as is generally the case in stations abroad where one has always to make the most of any chances offered to enable the time to pass as pleasantly as possible. No excuse has been offered as to why this state of affairs exists, and it certainly cannot be said that no suitable place could be found, with places like the Soldiers' Club and the R.E. Theatre standing empty half the year.

Again, want of talent could not be offered as an excuse, as there is seldom, if ever, a local entertainment of any kind that the military do not in some way assist.

WATKINS' POLO.

The matches in the third round of the Buffs Inter Company water polo league resulted as follows:—

C Co. beat G Co. 2 goals to 1.

B Co. beat H Co. 3 goals to 0.

F Co. beat D Co. 3 goals to 2.

As will be seen from the above the winning goal was all that divided the teams in two of the matches and great improvement is shown in the class of play, although an over-experience more what would otherwise be good goals.

The B Co. team have been unable to play their games in the second and third rounds owing to their being on duty.

The draws for the third round resulted as follows:—

H Co. v. B Co.

A Co. v. E Co.

F Co. v. C Co.

D Co. v. G Co.

To be played in the R. E. cañon on or before 11th August.

League Table.

Goals.

E Co. ... 3 ... 0 ... 0 ... 19 ... 2 ... 5

A Co. ... 2 ... 2 ... 0 ... 11 ... 1 ... 4

F Co. ... 3 ... 2 ... 0 ... 1 ... 9 ... 6 ... 4

G Co. ... 3 ... 2 ... 0 ... 1 ... 9 ... 6 ... 4

B Co. ... 1 ... 0 ... 0 ... 1 ... 0 ... 5 ... 0

D Co. ... 2 ... 0 ... 0 ... 12 ... 2 ... 10 ... 0

H Co. ... 3 ... 0 ... 0 ... 5 ... 0 ... 18 ... 0

SENTINEL.

A GOOD SUMMER REMEDY.

At this season diarrhoea and dysentery are always prevalent. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is the best medicine obtainable for troubles of this kind. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

TOKYO LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Tokyo, July 17th.

Following the sentence delivered in the case of the members of the Imperial Diet charged with receiving bribes from the Japan Sugar Refining Company came the preliminary examination of the Directors and Auditors—eight in all—of the big Sugar Company. They were all committed for trial. According to the decision given in the case of preliminary examination the men are charged with forging private seals, forging private documents, fraud, embezzlement and with bribing members of the Lower House. Mr. T. Sakawa, the President of the company, committed suicide on the morning of the 11th instant, shooting himself in the forehead with a revolver.

Death was instantaneous. Deceased's career illustrates the folly of a college professor forsaking his proper sphere of work to take up a commercial calling. In 1890, he was appointed to the College of Agriculture as a professor. In the following year, he visited foreign countries, after which he became a civil engineer and later rose to be secretary in the Department of Agriculture and Commerce. In 1907 he resigned and was promoted to the Fourth Junior Rank and decorated with the Third Order of Merit. Subsequently he joined the Japan Sugar Refining Company as President. It is alleged that he was entirely ignorant of the affairs of the company and knew nothing of the bribery and corruption taking place underneath his very nose. A scholarly official and nothing more, he was simply a tool in the hands of Akiyama and Isomura, the real managing Directors of the Company. Still as President he was responsible for the actions of the Board of the Directors and he could not face the disgrace which recent revelations brought in their train. Japanese, like other Oriental races, look upon suicide under such circumstances as these as an honourable exit from life's troubles. They do not call it a coward's act to clear out and leave to others the disentangling of the muddle and the sweeping out of the foul places.

Consequently since his death there has been quite a revulsion of feeling in his favour.

Another case of corruption, the public trial of which will shortly take place in the Osaka District Court, is now engrossing a good deal of attention. The accused person is U. Tachikawa, a member of the Lower House, and a well-known and eloquent leader in the Seiyu-Kai Party. It appears that four slaughter-house owners in Osaka and Kyoto desired to have the Slaughter-House Law revised, and they prepared last year a joint petition which was duly presented to the Lower House of the Imperial Diet. Tachikawa was the Chairman of the Petition Committee. The owners of the slaughter-houses presented him with ¥2,000, after extracting a promise that the Committee should recommend the petition for the Diet's approval, after which a further sum of ¥2,000 would be paid. Curiously enough the petition was passed by the committee. But some one blabbed and now the whole miserable tale is public property.

Domestic politics are very quiet at the present time, but an interesting thing happened in connection with the election of a Viscount to fill a vacancy in the representation of that Order in the House of Peers. The competition was between Viscount Fujitani and Viscount Sogara, belonging to the Kenkyu Party and the Shoyu Party respectively. The former polled 196 votes while the latter could only muster 98. The Kenkyu Party, consisting of conservative politicians, has been predominant in the House for a long time, while the Shoyu Party consists of a number of Liberals, the majority of whom recently broke away from the Kenkyu Party. They are now regarded as a section of the Seiyu Party, which, as most people know, is under the control of Marquis Sanjō, the former Premier. It is said that the cabinet interfered in the election under notice hence Viscount Fujitani's election, and the seeming triumph of Marquis Katsura, the present Premier, over the Seiyu.

The ceremony of unveiling the bronze statue of Lord Li Naosuke, commonly known as Li Kameon-no-Kami, on July 11th on Noge Hill, Yokohama, attracted a good deal of attention, owing to the opposition aroused against the act by certain narrow-minded officials late of the Imperial Household. The statue is twenty-two feet in height. Count Okuma in a speech eulogizing the meritorious services rendered by Li Kameon-no-Kami before the Revolution, at the time when the Tokugawa regime was passing away, paid a well deserved tribute to his far-seeing patriotism. Mr. J. O. Hall, British Consul General at Yokohama, also delivered a remarkable address. In the course of his speech he said that Lord Li Naosuke's action in opening his country to foreign commerce in spite of public opinion and in the face of strenuous opposition from several influential quarters was that of a patriot and a statesman. By opening the ports of Japan to foreign commerce fifty years ago, Li Kameon-no-Kami irrevocably linked the destinies of Japan to those of the European West and of Humanity.

In connection with the Mutual Profit Industry Company, newly organized with the support of the Japanese Government, the object of which is, as some of my readers may know, to supply railway materials and labour to China, it is said that the company will combine with Messrs Pauling and Co. of London. Mr. Odagiri, sub-manager of the Yokohama Specie Bank, one of the promoters of the project, will shortly leave for London with a view to conducting negotiations with this eminent firm of British contractors.

Political troubles in Korea have caused

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Mr. Yi Kwan Yong, the Premier, to tender his resignation. It appears that on taking up the reins of office, Viscount Sone, the new Prime Minister, suggested to Mr. Yi Kwan Yong, and Mr. Pak Chusan, the Home Minister, that the whole judicial and administrative rights of Korea should be assigned to the Japanese, and that the Military Office, which is now only a nominal concern, the Army having been disbanded, should be abolished altogether. The Korean Ministers introduced these proposals to their colleagues and naturally the conservatives raised a strong opposition. Seoul at the same time was thrown into disorder and for a time it looked as if a conservative reaction would set in. A number of police and gendarmes were at once sent to Seoul to control the situation. Order was soon restored, and as the telegraph as long since informed you, the new proposals of the Resident-General were not put into effect, and have been approved by the Emperor.

The Korean Government has also concluded an agreement with the Japanese Resident-General by which a Central Bank will be established in Seoul. It is reported that the capital of the bank is to be Yen 100,000,000 in 100,000 shares of the face-value of Yen 100 each; the Korean Government is to hold 30,000 of these shares and the remaining 70,000 are to be offered to the Japanese and Korean public. The bank's operations are to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Japanese law. The local limit of note issue is to be Yen 20,000,000 and the bank will hold a silver reserve equal to one-fourth of the amount of the notes issued. The Japanese reports that Japan will lend the bank at the outset Yen 1,000,000 carrying no interest, and this sum will be left unredeemed for the first five years.

It frequently happens in this part of Japan that following upon months of cold, wet, miserable weather, the storm clouds clear completely and a spell of baking hot weather ensues. The Niyubi, or wet season, was particularly cold and wet this year, and now to make up for it we are having days of scorching heat. Tales of death in the fields through exposure to the sun are already getting common in the newspapers. For the hill villages frequented by foreigners at this season of the year, they are simply crowded, every one flying from the heat if he can.

Just as I finish this letter comes news of the death at Captain Weston's country villa at Elmbridge, of Mr. Robert Hay. He had been falling for some months, and death was due to consumption. Mr. Hay was one of those many sons of Aberdeen who have carried out a career for themselves in the Far East. He left the Aberdeen Journal some twenty-five years ago to join the Japan Mail, and left that paper to become Editor of the Japan Advertiser. Upon the Advertiser passing into the hands of Mr. A. M. Knapp, Mr. Hay joined the Japan Gazette and after the tragic death of Mr. Knapp, he was elected that journal's Editor for some time. He was succeeded in the post by Mr. Thompson, now Sub-editor of the London Standard, and went back to his old paper, the Japan Mail, as sub-editor, a position which he held until almost to the last. A keen sportsman, a brilliant billiard-player and a thoroughly trained all-round journalist, he made despite the ails which were so often an integral constituent of the Highlander's character, friends in many walks of life and his death in the early fifties will be sincerely regretted.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

For having in his possession a quantity of prepared opium the fireman of a steamer trading to Japan, was, at the Magistracy to-day, fined \$500, or three months imprisonment, by Mr. J. R. Wood.

A Chinese woman yesterday afternoon jumped into the sea from the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co's wharf. She was, however, rescued by three wharf coolies and a boatman. At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr. F. A. Hazell, she was charged with attempting to commit suicide, and discharged with a caution.

A QUESTION OF COSTS.

Mr. Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court to-day, had the case again before him in which his Lordship gave judgment in the suit in which Mr. A. Landar sued the Oriental Brewery Co., Ltd., to recover \$209.00; \$100 being for wages, \$100 in lieu of one month's notice, and \$9.00 out of pocket expenses agreed to be paid by the defendants to the plaintiff.

Mr. Davidson, for the plaintiff, said that on Tuesday his Lordship had given judgment for the amount paid into Court, \$33.33 and \$50.00 out of pocket expenses and costs. The latter amount being under \$10 did not carry costs.

The amount actually recovered was \$33.33 which was paid into Court.

Mr. Crowther Smith said he had got judgment for \$42 and costs.

His Lordship—Did I say anything about costs at the time?

Mr. Smith—Your Lordship said you would give judgment for plaintiff for \$33.33 and \$50.00 of pocket travelling expenses; I took it that the costs was on the whole amount.

Mr. Davidson—This particular point was not raised at the time.

Mr. Smith said his friend had raised the question of costs before. If he had had anything more to say he should have said it at the time. His Lordship had decided the case in favour of the plaintiff and it should not be raised again. Mr. Davidson might appeal if he liked but the matter was settled when his Lordship had given judgment.

Mr. Davidson said his Lordship should consider an application made within a proper time.

Mr. Smith said his Lordship had power to award costs even if the amount recoverable was under \$10.

His Lordship said he had ordered costs. On the application of Mr. Davidson his Lordship consented to hear the matter in chambers.

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NEWS FROM ALL SOURCES.

Mr. E. W. Ward, in an interview with the Daily Chronicle representative, said:

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Sir W. Robson, Attorney-General, in the House of Commons recently, in reply to Colonel E. H. Carille (Conservative), characterized articles in a newspaper alluding to the murder of the Czar on the occasion of his visit as highly reprehensible, but in view of the approaching visit it was present inadvisable and unnecessary to state the intentions of the Government in regard to prosecuting the newspaper.

Members of the Russian Duma while visiting London declared that the Labour manifesto respecting the approaching visit of the Czar Nicholas was ridiculous, and that Russian salvation lies in the Duma working with the Czar.

Colonel Seely, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies, replying to a question by Mr. W. Mitchell-Thompson in the House of Commons, said that the recruitment of female labourers for service inside or outside the New Hebrides under British license was forbidden, but he was prepared to allow "white residents to engage women domestic servants, provided that their engagement was only for three months, with the option of renewal, and that they were not removed more than ten miles from their home."

The Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, is appointing a joint committee of both Houses of Parliament to inquire into the ownership of plays, the licensing of theatres and music-halls, and the expediency of new legislation relating thereto.

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CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

Steamers	Leave Hongkong	Due at London
SARDINIA	Aug. 11	Sept. 26
SYRIA	Aug. 25	Oct. 10
SUMATRA	Sept. 8	Oct. 23
BOHEO	Sept. 22	Nov. 6
CEYLON	Oct. 6	Nov. 21
SOMALI	Oct. 20	Dec. 5

These steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta, Marseilles.
* Carry 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers.
For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWITT,

Superintendent.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE.

MAIL SCHEDULE.

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION.)

Steamers	Leave Hongkong for Australia	Leave Hongkong for Australia
ALDENHAM	August 1	19th August, at Noon
EMERALD	August 15	19th August, at Noon
EASTERN	August 21	19th August, at Noon

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. Ample qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried. For further particulars, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, November 4, 1908.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN L.I.J.N.

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIKINI	JAPAN	Second half of July	JAVA	Second half of July
TJIMAH	JAPAN	Do.	JAVA	Do.
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	First half of August	JAVA	First half of August
TJILATJAP	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	Do.
TJILWONG	JAPAN	Second half of August	JAVA	Second half of August
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Do.	JAPAN	Do.

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN L.I.J.N.

YORK BUILDING, 1st Floor.

Telephone No. 376.

HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, fastest, and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon and Stewardess carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Bodge	Manila	SATURDAY, July 31, at 5 p.m.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila	SATURDAY, Aug. 7, at Noon

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers.

Shipping.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.

HIGHEST-Class, fastest, and most luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having splendid Accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light and First-Class Cuisine.

STEAMSHIP	For	LEAVING
HAIMUN	SWATOW	SUNDAY, 1st Aug., at 11 a.m.
HAICHING	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW	TUESDAY, 3rd Aug., at 2 p.m.
HAITAN	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW	FRIDAY, 6th Aug., at 2 p.m.

For the convenience of Passengers, Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

A reduction of 20 per cent on First-Class Fares to Foochow will be made during the months of July, August and September.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, JAPRAIK & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, November 17, 1908.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR

CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO, ETC., VIA MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SALINA CRUZ (Mexico).

s.s. America Maru	- 5000 tons gross	Aug 30th, at noon
s.s. Hongkong Maru	- 6000 "	Oct. 26th, at noon
s.s. Manshu Maru	- 5000 "	Dec. 10th, at noon

For particulars apply to

K. MATSUDA, Manager.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA, Yokohama, Japan.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSENGERIES MARITIMES.

FAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

TOKIN.

Captain CHANGWILL, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 2nd August, at 8 p.m.

P. de CHAMPORIN, Agent.

Hongkong, July 25, 1908.

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AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

MUMBAI AND TRIESTE Direct, Calling at

SINGAPORE, PENANG, CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

Taking Cargo at through rates to the

BRITISH RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LARNA, YANKEE and ASIAN Ports.

THE Company's Steamship

SILEZIA.

Captain RADONICH, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd August, at 8 p.m.

This Steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers, Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WILHELM & CO.,

Prinz's Buildings.

Hongkong, July 29, 1908.

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Notice to Consignees.

INDIA LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship Indrapura,

having arrived from the above port,

Consignees of Cargo, are hereby informed

that their Goods are being landed and placed

at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Co.'s hazardous and/or

extra hazardous Godowns at Kowloon,

where each consignment will be sorted

and marked by mark, and delivery can

be obtained as soon as the Goods are

landed.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd August,

at 10 a.m. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us

in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in

the Godowns, where they will be examined

at 9.30 a.m. on 3rd August.

No claims will be admitted after delivery

of Goods have been effected to Consignees,

and same must be presented within ten days

of steamer arrival here otherwise they will

not be received.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 27, 1908.

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SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE BETWEEN THE FAR EAST AND EUROPE.

VIA DAIEN.

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THREE WEEKLY EXPRESS TRAIN SERVICE, composed of excellently

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Direct Steamer Service by the S.S. "Kobe Maru" and "Sakiko Maru" (3,877 tons each)

as follows:—

NORTH-BOUND.

Leave—Shanghai (Steamer).....

Arrive—Daien.....

Leave—Daien.....

Arrive—Mukden.....

